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November 14, 1979

Mr. Phil Bunker
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Box 726
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RE: Cactus Rat Claims
Sec's 9 & 33, T. 22S., R. 22E.

DOE/019/004

Dear Mr. Bunker:

Thank you for your letter of November 4, 1979. Unfortunately, however, it did not clear up the situation concerning the Cactus Rat Claims.

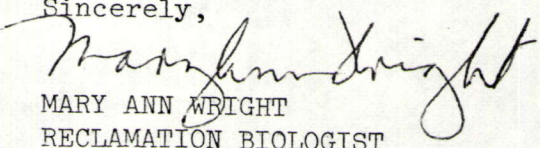
The Division is aware that Atlas Minerals has filed a mining and reclamation plan for Section 33, Township 22 South, Range 22 East and that this plan will be given final approval upon receipt of proper surety from Atlas. Until final approval is granted, no mining may commence at this site.

If mining is to commence on Section 9, Township 22 South, Range 22 East which will exceed two (2) acres or which will move more than 500 tons of material in a period of twelve (12) consecutive months, then you must file a plan for Section 9.

The Division will schedule a trip to the area within the next month to observe the situation at the site.

The Division would appreciate it if you could make clear B & L Mining's position in relation to the Atlas Minerals' plan.

Sincerely,


MARY ANN WRIGHT
RECLAMATION BIOLOGIST

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